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SUBJECT: MAY 31 CABLE HIGHLIGHTS

FOLLOWING ARE CABLE HIGHLIGHTS FOR MAY 31, 1977:

1. KOREA CALLS IN AMBASSADOR ON US FORCE WITHDRAWAL.

ON ORDERS FROM PRESIDENT PARK, THE PRESIDENTIAL PROTOCOL
SECRETARY CALLED IN AMBASSADOR SNEIDER ON MAY 31 TO REQUEST
CLARIFICATION OF PRESIDENT CARTER'S MAY 26 STATEMENT THAT
PRESIDENT PARK HAD ADVOCATED GROUND FORCE WITHDRAWALS IN THE
PAST. AMBASSADOR SNEIDER REQUESTS APPROPRIATE
CLASSIFICATION IN ORDER TO AVOID A MAJOR US/KOREA DIS-
AGREEMENT. (SEOUL 2273, CONFIDENTIAL)

2. PAKISTANI PRESS REPORTS BHUTTO/OPPOSITION TALKS TO
BEGIN ON JUNE 3.

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MAY 31 EDITIONS OF MAJOR PAKISTANI DAILIES REPORT THAT
PRESIDENT BHUTTO'S TALKS WITH OPPOSITION LEADERS WILL
BEGIN ON JUNE 3. EACH SIDE IS MOVING TOWARD THE
CONFERENCE TABLE IN AN ATMOSPHERE OF MUTUAL SUSPICION
THAT THE OTHER IS BENT ON SABOTAGING THE TALKS.
(ISLAMABAD 5584, CONFIDENTIAL)

3. SOUTH MOLUCCAN TERRORISTS.

DUTCH STRATEGY CONTINUES TO BE BASED ON SAVING LIVES
WHILE MAKING NO CONCESSIONS TO TERRORISTS.
IF THE STRATEGY FAILS AND HOSTAGES ARE EXECUTED,
THE DUTCH HAVE CONTINGENCY PLANS FOR TAKING THE TRAIN
AND SCHOOL BY STORM. (THE HAGUE 2814, CONFIDENTIAL)

4. LIBYAN DEMARCHE TO US ON LIBYAN/TUNISIAN SHELF
DISPUTE.

THE LIBYAN FOREIGN OFFICE SUMMONED CHARGE CARLE ON MAY 31
TO URGE THAT THE US STAY OUT OF THE LIBYAN/TUNISIAN
CONTINENTAL SHELF DISPUTE. US PRESSURE ON THE

AMERICAN-OWNED VESSEL, J.W. BATES, TO LEAVE THE VICINITY
OF THE DISPUTED AREA "WOULD GREATLY COMPLICATE MATTERS."
(TRIPOLI 709, CONFIDENTIAL)

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